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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Department of the Army
Director of Naval Intelligence
Director of Intelligence, Headquarters, United States
Air Force
Deputy Director for Intelligence, The Joint Staff
Chairman, Munitions Board
Chairman, Research and Development Board

SUBJECT : Appraisal of Foreign Economic Intelligence Requirements,
Facilities, and Arrangements Related to the National
Security

ENCLOSURES : 1. Copy of memorandum for the Director of Central
Intelligence from the Executive Secretary, NSC,
subject as above, dated 3 March 1950

2. Specifications for a Survey of United States
Governmental Agencies Engaged in Foreign Economic
Activities

1. Enclosure No. 1 is a copy of the National Security Council memorandum dated 3 March 1950, based on NSC Action No. 282, to the Director of Central Intelligence, requesting action for the coordination of the production of economic intelligence.

2. The initial development of foreign economic intelligence requirements, as specified in paragraph 1a of Enclosure No. 1, is being undertaken within this Agency. Final action on this phase of the study will include full coordination with intelligence-using and intelligence-producing agencies.

3. There is attached hereto as Enclosure No. 2 a set of specifications for the conduct of a survey of Government facilities and arrangements required by paragraph 1b of Enclosure No. 1. It is requested that you arrange for the conduct of such a survey throughout your Department, Staff, or Board in accordance with the applicable portions of these specifications.

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THROUGH: Director of Central Intelligence
COAPS
Assistant Director for Reports and Estimates
NSC Action No. 252

1. This Office has been collaborating with the Bureau of the Budget in the conduct of surveys of the non-IAC agencies as required by paragraph 1b of subject directive. While the Bureau of the Budget's interest is not exactly coincidental with the terms of reference of the subject directive at this stage, it has been agreed informally that the Bureau will express its interests and participate with the Central Intelligence Agency until all required surveys are completed. It was further agreed that the Central Intelligence Agency could take independent action to initiate required surveys within the Department of Defense.

2. Informal discussions with General Hapgood indicated that the Office of the Secretary of Defense would prefer that the Central Intelligence Agency initiate such surveys of that Department through the IAC mechanism rather than through the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

3. Accordingly, it is requested that you approve and forward the attached memorandum.

LEONORE BARNETT

Attachments

Memoandum for signature to:
Admiral, C-2, Dept of the Army
Director of Naval Intelligence
Director of Intelligence, Hq, USAF
Deputy Director for Intelligence, The Joint Staff
Chairman, Operations Board
Chairman, Research and Development Board
Secretary of Defense

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4. A similar survey of the other agencies of the Government that are engaged in foreign economic activities has been started by the Bureau of the Budget and will be completed in collaboration with the Central Intelligence Agency.

5. For the purpose of clearing up any questions which may arise in connection with undertaking this survey, a meeting of your designated representatives is called for 12 July 1950 at 2:30 p.m. in my conference room, Administration Building, 2430 E Street, N. W.

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